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SUBJECT: YUGOSLAV INTEREST IN TPS-43D RADAR SYSTEM

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1. AS NOTED REFTTEL, ALL INDICATIONS ARE FAVORABLE THAT
US WILL BE ABLE TO RESPOND POSITIVELY TO YUGOSLAV INTEREST
IN ACQUIRING A TPS-43D RADAR. EMBASSY SHOULD TELL YUGO-
SLAVS THAT WE ARE PREPARED TO SELL THIS RADAR AND OFFER
ASSISTANCE IN INITIATING AND MONITORING APPROPRIATE PRO-
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CEDURES FOR FMS CASH SALE.

2. FYI. ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT EXPECT THIS ISSUE TO BE RAISED DURING PRESIDENT'S MEETING WITH TITO, IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR YUGOSLAVS TO BE AWARE OF OUR POSITIVE ATTITUDE ON TPS-43D RADAR PRIOR TO VISIT. AS YOU ARE AWARE, SYSTEM UNDER CONSIDERATION IS BASIC RADAR WITHOUT ECCM PACKAGE. (IT ALSO DOES NOT INCLUDE OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE SHELTER OR COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT.) SHOULD THE YUGOSLAVS ASK FOR ECCM OPTION, REQUEST WOULD HAVE TO BE DEALT WITH AS A NATIONAL DISCLOSURE POLICY EXCEPTION. LOCAL WESTINGHOUSE REP HAS INFORMED DEFENSE THAT DISCUSSIONS OF TPS-43 HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED WITH YUGOSLAVS EVEN THOUGH WESTINGHOUSE DOES NOT HAVE EXPORT LICENSE FOR CURRENT PRODUCTION MODEL (TPS-43E). "E" MODEL INCORPORATES "STATE OF THE ART" TECHNOLOGY

AND HAS NOT YET BEEN APPROVED FOR SALE TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES. DEFENSE UNDERSTANDS THAT WESTINGHOUSE MAY REQUEST "AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE" FROM STATE (PM/MC) TO DISCUSS TPS-43E, AT WHICH TIME WE WILL DEAL WITH ISSUE OF COMMERCIAL SALE. THE ONE AVAILABLE TPS-43D RADAR UNIT IS PROPERTY OF AIR FORCE. THEREFORE THAT SALE WOULD HAVE TO BE CONDUCTED UNDER FMS PROCEDURES. INGERSOLL

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